GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4225
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KEROSENE QUOTA FOR FISHERMEN
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to increase the kerosene quota for traditional fishermen using outboard engines; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a) and (b) Kerosene is an allocated product. Government of Indiaallocates SKOto the States/UTs on annual basis and same is released on monthly basis. The distribution within the State is the responsibility of the concerned State Government.

Any separate SKO allocation for the fishing sector withinthe State is to be adjusted/given by the concerned State Government within its overall SKO allocation. Presently only the State of Gujarat getsmonthly allocation of SKO for fishing sector, which is specifically earmarked by the Government out of its total monthly PDS allocation.The kerosene requirement of fishermen for their boats can be met through parallel marketeers etc.